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OVER A CARINA**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A system for deploying a prosthesis over a Carina between
an ipsilateral lumen and a contralateral lumen includes a
guidewire, a guidewire capture catheter, a self-expanding
tubular prosthesis, and a delivery catheter. The guidewire is
first placed in the ipsilateral lumen. The guidewire capture
catheter is then advanced from the contralateral lumen to a
position at or above the ipsilateral lumen. The guidewire is
typically advanced through an occlusion, which may be a
total occlusion, and captured by a capture element on the
guidewire capture catheter. The guidewire capture catheter
pulls the guidewire out through the contralateral side, and
the guidewire is used to advance a delivery catheter from the
ipsilateral side. The delivery catheter delivers a first segment
of the tubular prosthesis in the ipsilateral lumen and a second
segment of the prosthesis in the contralateral lumen.

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